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Appln. No. 09/901,549  
Amendment dated October 20, 2004  
Reply to Office Action of July 29, 2004

Attorney Docket No. 01410/LH

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT  
AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant : Masakuni IWANAGA  
Serial No. : 09/901,549  
Filed : July 9, 2001  
For : AUTHENTICATION SYSTEM  
BASED ON FINGERPRINT AND  
ELECTRONIC DEVICE EMPLOYED  
FOR THE SYSTEM  
Art Unit : 2625  
Examiner : Aaron W. Carter  
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This is responsive to the Office Action dated July 29, 2004,  
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**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims  
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